

COAL MINES ARE NOT ALL CLOSED But More Than 100,000 Anthracite Diggers Are Idle.

The United Mine Workers Satisfied with Results Thus Far, and Coal Operators Expect an Early Collapse of the Strike—In the Schuylkill Region the Miners Seem to Be Divided, but in the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valleys the Strikers Have Been Triumphant to the Extent of Closing the Largest Collieries.

Hazleton, Sept. 17.—The great struggle between the anthracite coal miners of Pennsylvania and their employers was begun today. Each side is confident of winning and neither of the contending forces show any disposition to yield.

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MINERS ARE OUT AT PITTSBURGH

All Collieries Idle Except Two of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. 10,000 Men Go Out.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 17.—The advent of the much-talked-of anthracite coal strike today found the mine employees at Pittsburgh lining up well to the order issued by the executive committee of the United Mine Workers.

At some of the places not a single miner, laborer or driver boy put in an appearance, but at others a few of those who were desirous of working were on hand, but were compelled to return home, owing to the collieries being unable to be operated.

IN WYOMING VALLEY

Every Mine Idle with the Exception of the Mocoanaga. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 17.—Every mine in the Wyoming valley, with the exception of one, was closed today by the miners' strike.

MR. GARRETT FALKS ON THE SITUATION

Lehigh Valley Official's Explanation of Certain Grievances—Methods of United Mine Workers.

New York, Sept. 17.—John B. Garrett, vice-president of the Lehigh Valley Coal company, today made the following statement in review of the various grievances alleged by the United Mine Workers to exist in the anthracite coal fields:

This company conducts no stores nor does it employ any storekeepers, and it does not employ any other stores, and it does not employ any other stores, and it does not employ any other stores.

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GRUESOME WORK AT GALVESTON

Creating the Dead Recovered from the Gigantic Mass of Debris in Suburbs of the City.

Galveston, Sept. 17.—The ninth day after the storm and still the gruesome work goes on of recovering the dead from the gigantic mass of debris that lines the south side of what remains of the city.

NO HELP FROM THE SOFT COAL MEN

Bituminous Miners Will Not Contribute to Aid the Eastern Men on Strike.

Altoona, Pa., Sept. 17.—Inquiry by telephone along the nearby coal towns today developed the fact that the anthracite coal strikers will receive little, if any, help from the region north and west of Altoona.

REPUBLICAN CLUBS AT PHILADELPHIA

Thirteenth Annual Convention of the State League Is Opened—Business Considered.

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SARGENT NOT A CANDIDATE

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 17.—Grand Master T. M. Sargent, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, announced today that he would not be a candidate for re-nomination.

WAYNE NOMINATIONS

Honolulu, Sept. 17.—The Republicans of Wayne county today nominated A. L. Bishop, of Hawley, and W. W. Wood, of Honesdale, for representatives.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS

New York, Sept. 17.—Arrived: Astoria, from Glasgow; (Hared), Kona, from Honolulu; (Hared), Kona, from Honolulu; (Hared), Kona, from Honolulu.

MR. BRYAN'S LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE

Formal Declaration of Democratic Campaign Creeds.

Chicago, Sept. 17.—The letter of the Hon. William J. Bryan, accepting the Democratic nomination for president, was given out today, and is as follows:

Hon. James D. Richardson, Chairman, and Others of the National Committee of the Democratic Party: I accept the nomination tendered by you on behalf of the Democratic party, I beg to assure you of my appreciation of the great honor conferred upon me by the delegates in convention assembled, and by the voters who gave their instruction to the delegates.

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CHINESE PROGRESS IS BLOCKED

General Chaffee's Dispatches Indicate Improvement, but Preparations for Wintering Troops Are Still Being Made.

Washington, Sept. 17.—The passage of the day without an event bearing upon the Chinese situation went to confirm the prediction made last week by the officials that there would be no immediate important developments.

THIS REGION EXPERIENCES A TOTAL TIE-UP

Not a Ton of Coal Was Mined in the Lackawanna Valley.

Outside of the men exempted from the strike call, such as engineers, firemen, pump runners and barn bosses, the employees of the washeries were the only colliers to be found at work.

THE SUBJECTS CONSIDERED

Imperialism, the Paramount Issue, Is Dismissed at the Outset and the Discussion Is Confined to Other Planks of the Kansas City Platform—The Trusts, Inter-State Commerce and Finances and Other Issues Receive the Usual Review.

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PROPOSED ACTION OF TRAINMEN

An Official of the Brotherhood Intimates They Will Not Haul Coal Mined by Non-Union Men.

Philadelphia, Sept. 17.—A special dispatch from Hazleton, Pa., says: While the average shipment of coal from the Lackawanna valley is about 800 cars, only 250 cars laden with coal left the district today.

POSTMASTER OF SHICKSHINNY

Washington, Sept. 17.—T. C. Hill was today appointed postmaster at Shickshinny, Luzerne county, Pa.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather Indications Today, FAIR AND COOL. 1 General—Total Tie-up of Mines in Lackawanna Valley. Candidate Bryan's Letter of Acceptance. 2 General—The Tribune's Educational Contest. Northeastern Pennsylvania News. 3 Local—Portrait of the Late Judge Gunster Presented to the Bar Association. Court Proceedings. 4 Editorial. President McKinley to the Philippine Commission. 5 Local—Board of Trade Favors Violent Order. 6 Local—West Scranton and Suburban. 7 Round About the County. 8 Local—Candidate Bryan's Letter of Acceptance (Concluded).

WEATHER FORECAST

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